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Dear USDA

I am a citizen of the United States as well as Switzerland. I am writing to you today about the issue of "Downed Farm animals" and I am urging you to consider Farm Sanctuary's petition to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals. I am personally sickened by the way the United States treats their live stock. In Europe, people finally became aware of the fact that we have no right to treat a living creature without any respect, feeling and giving everybody the right to do whatever they please with farm animals. Europeans are asking for meat produced by humane farmers, animals who lived a life the way they were ment to for the duration of their life. Animals are treated with respect until the end. When are we going to change our policy? There should never be any "downed animals" when they are treated humanly.

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